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# **Warrington Borough Council**

# Local Plan

# **Preferred Development Option**

# **Regulation 18 Consultation**

# **Standard Response Form**

# July 2017

#### 2: Questions

#### **Question 1**

Do you have any comments to make about how we've worked out the need for new homes and employment land in Warrington over the next 20 years?

**Response:** What is the basis of your forecast? Have considered also outflow of people from Warrington? Have you included people who would be happy to commute from outside Warrington for jobs in the Warrington area? Your forecast is over-estimated and flawed. You really need to re-compute the numbers

Do you have any comments to make about how we've worked out the number of homes and amount of employment land that can be accommodated within Warrington's existing built up areas?

**Response:** What is the basis of your forecast? Have considered also outflow of people from Warrington? Have you included people who would be happy to commute from outside Warrington for jobs in the Warrington area? Your forecast is over-estimated and flawed. You really need to re-compute the numbers

Have we appropriately worked out the amount of land to be released from the Green Belt, including the amount of land to be 'safeguarded'?

**Response:** Have you exploited fully the brown field options; it seems there is a lot more that can be done in brown field locations

The amount of green field land is far too excessive;

You also need to consider land on the east, west and North too (focusing on the south is unbalanced exploitation of land resources

Do you agree with the new Local Plan Objectives?

**Response:** based on my comments above; I am afraid I cannot agree with those objectives linked to the total number of homes; green field sites; and location

Do you have any comments to make about how we've assessed different 'Spatial Options' for Warrington's future development?

Response:

Do you have any comments to make about how we've assessed different options for the main development locations?

**Response:** there does not seem sufficient options to choose from; and the very few presented lack sufficient data to be able to evaluate. It seems that the preferred option has more data; thereby pushing the case for it at the expense of others.

Do you agree with our Preferred Development Option for meeting Warrington's future development needs?

Response:NO

Do you have any comments to make about our Preferred Development Option for the City Centre?

Response:No

Do you have any comments to make about our Preferred Development Option for the Wider Urban Area?

### **Response: See my above comments**

Do you have any comments to make about our Preferred Development Option for developing the Warrington Waterfront?

Response:No

Do you have any comments to make about our Preferred Development Option for the Warrington Garden City Suburb?

**Response:** See my comments above; also

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Do you have any comments to make about our Preferred Development Option for the South Western Urban Extension?

**Response:** See my comments above; also

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The amount of green field land is far too excessive;

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Do you have any comments to make about our Preferred Development Option for development in the Outlying Settlements?

**Response:** See my comments above; also

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Do you agree with our approach to providing new employment land?

**Response: No** 

Do you agree with our suggested approach for dealing with Gypsy and Travellers and Travelling Showpeople sites?

Response: no

Do you agree with our suggested approach for dealing with Minerals and Waste?

**Response: No** 

Having read the Preferred Development Option Document, is there anything else you feel we should include within the Local Plan?

**Response:** In view of the holiday period and the extremely poor communication, it is only today that I have discovered about the plan following a newsletter through the door. For such a huge plan with long lasting impact on the community, it is somewhat shocking that many of us did not know anything about it; and worst of all; scheduling a tight timetable during the summer holiday season. Part of me cannot help but feel that somehow the intention is to get it through quickly without ensuring a proper (and democratic) consultation.